

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS23223

Congress passed the Drug Quality and Security Act in November of 2013, which mandates that states regulate wholesale distribution consistently with this new federal law. This legislation will fulfill our federal responsibility by striking pertinent language and sections within the Idaho Wholesale Drug Distribution Act and the Idaho Pharmacy Act and inserting language consistent with this new federal requirement. Additionally, this bill establishes parameters that prohibit "grey wholesaling," requires wholesale distributors to identify suspicious controlled substances orders, strikes outdated and conflicting language, and streamlines and clarifies confusing language.

FISCAL NOTE

The bill would require a wholesale distributor's designated representative applicant to pay for the cost of fingerprinting, just as all other applicable Board registrants and licensees are required to do. Current cost of fingerprinting to the Board is \$41.50 per applicant. The Board typically receives about fifty new designated representative applications a year, so this bill will reduce Board costs by approximately \$2,000 a year, for which the Board is not appropriated.

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